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## CALTRANS OFFERS SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANTS

CENTRAL COAST – Caltrans will accept applications online for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Sustainable Transportation Planning grants beginning **Tuesday, Sept. 2 through 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31.**

Caltrans will also host a transportation planning grant workshop from 10 am to noon Tuesday, Sept. 16, at the San Luis Obispo County Library, Community Room, 995 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.

The newly consolidated grant program supports Caltrans' new mission to *provide a safe, sustainable, integrated and efficient transportation system to enhance California's economy and livability*. It also features just two funding categories, *Strategic Partnerships* (\$1.5 million) and *Sustainable Communities* (\$8.3 million).

These grants promote a balanced, comprehensive multi-modal transportation system. The funding is eligible for a wide range of transportation planning purposes addressing local and regional needs and issues. Grant implementation should, ultimately, result in adopting, initiating and programming transportation improvements.

Funding for both programs is available on a statewide, competitive basis. Some restrictions apply for applicants. Applications and guidebook will be available online Sept. 2 at:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.html>

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